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## **CCC SENDS MORE THAN 500 TO WILDFIRES**

The California Conservation Corps has 37 crews – more than 500 corpsmembers and staff – responding to wildfires throughout California.

CCC crews have been assigned to ten different fires in Southern California as well as two fires in Del Norte and Shasta counties. They are working under the direction of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, the U.S. Forest Service and the National Park Service.

To date, corpsmembers have been dispatched from every CCC center in Southern California and several Northern California operations. The crews are providing both initial attack and camp support on the various fires.

In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order, the California Conservation Corps will be among the agencies staffing one-stop Local Assistance Centers for those impacted by the fires. Corpsmembers have previously worked at assistance centers following the 1994 Northridge earthquake and several major floods.

After the fires are out, the CCC also hopes to help with cleanup and recovery efforts, including such mitigation measures as erosion control and planting and reseeding work. The Corps devoted thousands of hours to similar work following the 1991 Oakland Hills fire.

The California Conservation Corps is a state agency hiring young men and women, ages 18 to 23, for a year of natural resource work and disaster response. The CCC has provided seven million hours of emergency response work since 1976.

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